

Primitive data, expressions, and variables

Readings: 2.1 – 2.2

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How the computer sees the world

- Internally, the computer stores everything in terms of 1's and 0's
 - Example:
 - h → 0110100
 - "hi" → 01101000110101
 - 104 → 0110100
- How can the computer tell the difference between an h and 104?

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Data types

- type**: A category of data values.
 - Example: integer, real number, string
- Data types are divided into two classes:
 - primitive types**: Java's built-in *simple* data types for numbers, text characters, and logic.
 - object types**: Coming soon!

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Primitive types

- Java has eight primitive types. We will cover two for now.

Name	Description	Examples
int	integers	42, -3, 0, 926394
double	real numbers	3.4, -2.53, 91.4e3

- Numbers with a decimal point are treated as real numbers.
- Question: Isn't every integer a real number? Why bother?

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Integer or real number?

- Which category is more appropriate?

integer (int)	real number (double)

- Temperature in degrees Celsius
- The population of lemmings
- Your grade point average
- A person's age in years
- A person's weight in pounds
- A person's height in meters
- Number of miles traveled
- Number of dry days in the past month
- Your locker number
- Number of seconds left in a game
- The sum of a group of integers
- The average of a group of integers

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Manipulating data via expressions

- expression**: A data value or a set of operations that produces a value.

Examples:

```
1 + 4 * 3
3
"CSE142"
(1 + 2) % 3 * 4
```

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The operators

Arithmetic operators we will use:

- + addition
- subtraction or negation
- * multiplication
- / division
- % modulus, a.k.a. remainder

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Evaluating expressions

- When Java executes a program and encounters an expression, the expression is *evaluated* (i.e., computed).
 - Example: `3 * 4` *evaluates* to 12
- `System.out.println(3 * 4)` *prints* 12 (after evaluating `3 * 4`)
 - How could we print the text `3 * 4` on the console?

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Evaluating expressions: Integer division

- When dividing integers, the result is also an integer.
 - Example: `14 / 4` evaluates to 3, not 3.5 (truncate the number)

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 4 \overline{) 14} \\ \underline{12} \\ 2 \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{r} 52 \\ 27 \overline{) 1425} \\ \underline{135} \\ 75 \\ \underline{54} \\ 21 \end{array}$$

- Examples:
 - `1425 / 27` is 52
 - `35 / 5` is 7
 - `84 / 10` is 8
 - `156 / 100` is 1
 - `24 / 0` is illegal

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Evaluating expressions: The modulus (%)

- The modulus computes the remainder from a division of integers.
 - Example: `14 % 4` is 2
 - `1425 % 27` is 21

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 4 \overline{) 14} \\ \underline{12} \\ 2 \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{r} 52 \\ 27 \overline{) 1425} \\ \underline{135} \\ 75 \\ \underline{54} \\ 21 \end{array}$$

- What are the results of the following expressions?

`45 % 6`
`2 % 2`
`8 % 20`
`11 % 0`

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Applying the modulus

- What expression obtains...
 - the last digit (unit's place) of a number?
 - Example: From 230857, obtain the 7.
 - the last 4 digits of a Social Security Number?
 - Example: From 658236489, obtain 6489.
 - the second-to-last digit (ten's place) of a number?
 - Example: From 7342, obtain the 4.

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Applying the modulus

- How can we use the `%` operator to determine whether a number is odd?
- How about if a number is divisible by, say, 27?

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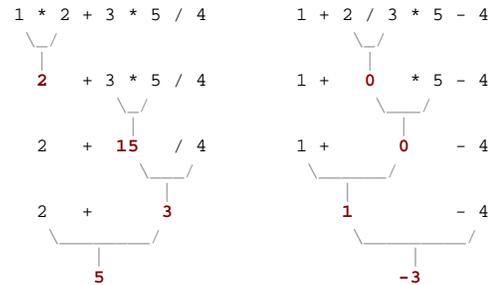
Precedence: Remember PEMDAS?

- precedence:** Order in which operations are computed in an expression.
 - Operators on the same level are evaluated from left to right.
Example: $1 - 2 + 3$ is 2 (not -4)
 - Spacing does not affect order of evaluation.
Example: $1+3 * 4-2$ is 11

Parentheses	()
Multiplication, Division, Mod	* / %
Addition, Subtraction	+ -

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Precedence examples



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Precedence exercise

- Evaluate the following expressions:
 - $9 / 5$
 - $695 \% 20$
 - $7 + 6 * 5$
 - $7 * 6 + 5$
 - $248 \% 100 / 5$
 - $6 * 3 - 9 / 4$
 - $(5 - 7) * 4$
 - $6 + (18 \% (17 - 12))$
- Which parentheses are unnecessary?

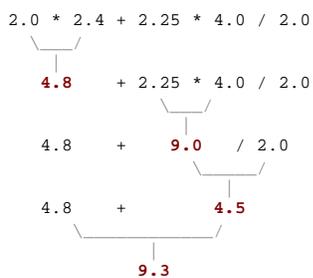
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Real numbers (double)

- The operators also work with real numbers.
 - The division operator produces an exact answer.
- Examples:
 - $15.0 / 2.0$ is 7.5
 - $15.3 + 2.5$ is 17.8
 - $1.23 + 15.0 * 2.0$ is 31.23
- The same precedence rules apply.

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Real numbers example



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Precision in real numbers

- The computer internally represents real numbers in an imprecise way.
- Example:


```
System.out.println(0.1 + 0.2);
```

 - The output is 0.30000000000000004!

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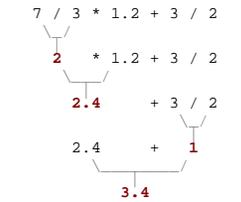
Mixing integers and real numbers

- When an operator is used on an integer and a real number, the result is a real number.

- Examples:

```
4.2 * 3 is 12.6
1 / 2.0 is 0.5
```

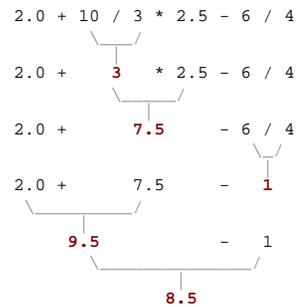
- The conversion occurs on a *per-operator* basis. It affects only its two operands.



- Notice how $3 / 2$ is still 1 above, not 1.5.

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Mixed types example



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Type casting

- type cast:** A conversion from one type to another. Common uses:

- To promote an int into a double to achieve exact division.
- To truncate a double from a real number to an integer.

- General syntax:

```
<type> <expression>
```

- Examples:

```
(double)19 / 5 // 3.8
(int)3.8 // 3
```

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Type casting

- Type casting has high precedence and only casts the item immediately next to it.

```
(double)1 + 1 / 2 // 1.0
(double)1 / 2; // 0.5
```

- You can use parentheses to force evaluation order.

```
(double)(7 + 3 + 4) / 3
```

- A conversion to double can be achieved in other ways.

```
1.0 * (7 + 3 + 4) / 3
```

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Concatenation: Operating on strings

- string concatenation:** Using the + operator between a string and another value to make a longer string.

- Examples:

```
"hello" + 42 is "hello42"
1 + "abc" + 2 is "1abc2"
"abc" + 1 + 2 is "abc12"
1 + 2 + "abc" is "3abc"
"abc" + 9 * 3 is "abc27" (what happened here?)
"1" + 1 is "11"
4 - 1 + "abc" is "3abc"
```

```
"abc" + 4 - 1 causes a compiler error. Why?
```

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String expressions

- Let's print more complicated messages with computed values.

```
System.out.println("Your grade was " + ((95.1 + 71.9 + 82.6) / 3.0));
```

```
System.out.println("There are " + (11 + 17 + 4 + 19 + 14) + " students in the course.");
```

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What was the answer again?

- Using the data from the last slide, what if we wanted to print the following?

Your grade was 83.2

Summary:

Course grade: 83.2

- Answer?

```
System.out.println("Your grade was " + ((95.1 + 71.9 + 82.6) / 3.0));
```

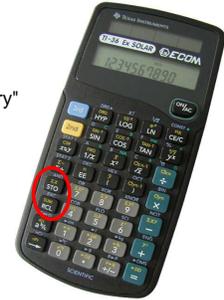
```
System.out.println("Summary:");
```

```
System.out.println("Course grade: " + ((95.1 + 71.9 + 82.6) / 3.0));
```

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What was the answer again?

- Evaluating expressions are somewhat like using the computer as a calculator.
 - A good calculator has "memory" keys to store and retrieve a computed value.



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Variables

- variable:** A piece of your computer's memory that is given a name and type and can store a value.

- Usage:

- compute an expression's result
- store that result into a variable
- use that variable later in the program

- Variables are a bit like preset stations on a car stereo:



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Declaring variables

- To use a variable, first it must be *declared*.
- Variable declaration syntax:
<type> <name>;
- Convention: Variable identifiers follow the same rules as method names.
- Examples:

```
int x;  
double myGPA;  
int varName;
```

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Declaring variables

- Declaring a variable sets aside a piece of memory in which you can store a value.

```
int x;  
int y;
```

- Inside the computer:

x: ? y: ?

(The memory still has no value yet.)

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Setting variables

- assignment statement:** A Java statement that stores a value into a variable.
 - Variables must be declared before they can be assigned a value.

- Assignment statement syntax:
<variable> = <expression>;

- Examples:

```
x = 2 * 4;
```

x: 8

```
myGPA = 3.25;
```

```
myGPA = 3.25;
```

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Setting variables

- A variable can be assigned a value more than once.

- Example:

```
int x;  
x = 3;  
System.out.println(x); // 3  
  
x = 4 + 7;  
System.out.println(x); // 11
```

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Using variables

- Once a variable has been assigned a value, it can be used in any expression.

```
int x;  
x = 2 * 4;  
System.out.println(x * 5 - 1);
```

- The above has output equivalent to:
System.out.println(8 * 5 - 1);

- What happens when a variable is used on both sides of an assignment statement?

```
int x;  
x = 3;  
x = x + 2; // what happens?
```

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Errors in coding

- **ERROR:** Declaring two variables with the same name

- Example:

```
int x;  
int x; // ERROR: x already exists
```

- **ERROR:** Reading a variable's value before it has been assigned

- Example:

```
int x;  
System.out.println(x); // ERROR: x has no value
```

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Assignment vs. algebra

- The assignment statement is not an algebraic equation!

- **<variable> = <expression>;** means:

- "store the value of <expression> into <variable>"

- Some people read $x = 3 * 4$; as

- "x gets the value of $3 * 4$ "

- **ERROR:** $3 = 1 + 2$; is an illegal statement, because 3 is not a variable.

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Assignment and types

- A variable can only store a value of its own type.

- Example:

```
int x;  
x = 2.5; // ERROR: x can only store int
```

- An int value can be stored in a double variable. Why?

- The value is converted into the equivalent real number.

- Example:

```
double myGPA;          myGPA: 2.0  
myGPA = 2;
```

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Assignment exercise

- What is the output of the following Java code?

```
int x;  
x = 3;  
int y;  
y = x;  
x = 5;  
System.out.println(x);  
System.out.println(y);
```

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Assignment exercise

- What is the output of the following Java code?

```
int number;
number = 2 + 3 * 4;
System.out.println(number - 1);
number = 16 % 6;
System.out.println(2 * number);
```

- What is the output of the following Java code?

```
double average;
average = (11 + 8) / 2;
System.out.println(average);
average = (5 + average * 2) / 2;
System.out.println(average);
```

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Shortcut: Declaring and initializing

- A variable can be declared and assigned an initial value in the same statement.

- Declaration/initialization statement syntax:

<type> <name> = <expression>;

- Examples:

```
double myGPA = 3.95;
int x = (11 % 3) + 12;
```

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Shortcut: Declaring many variables at once

- It is legal to declare multiple variables on one line:

<type> <name>, <name>, ..., <name>;

- Examples:

```
int a, b, c;
double x, y;
```

- It is also legal to declare/initialize several at once:

<type> <name> = <expression>, ..., <name> = <expression>;

- Examples:

```
int a = 2, b = 3, c = -4;
double grade = 3.5, delta = 0.1;
```

- NB: The variables must be of the same type.

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Shortcut: Modify and assign

- Java has several shortcut operators that allow you to quickly modify a variable's value.

Shorthand

```
<variable> += <exp>;
<variable> -= <exp>;
<variable> *= <exp>;
<variable> /= <exp>;
<variable> %= <exp>;
```

Equivalent longer version

```
<variable> = <variable> + (<exp>);
<variable> = <variable> - (<exp>);
<variable> = <variable> * (<exp>);
<variable> = <variable> / (<exp>);
<variable> = <variable> % (<exp>);
```

- Examples:

```
x += 3 - 4; // x = x + (3 - 4);
gpa -= 0.5; // gpa = gpa - (0.5);
number *= 2; // number = number * (2);
```

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Shortcut: Increment and decrement

- Incrementing* and *decrementing* 1 is used often enough that they have a special shortcut operator!

Shorthand

```
<variable>++;
<variable>--;
```

Equivalent longer version

```
<variable> = <variable> + 1;
<variable> = <variable> - 1;
```

- Examples:

```
int x = 2;
x++; // x = x + 1;
// x now stores 3
```

```
double gpa = 2.5;
gpa++; // gpa = gpa + 1;
// gpa now stores 3.5
```

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Putting it all together: Exercise

- Write a program that stores the following data:

- Section AA has 17 students.
- Section AB has 8 students.
- Section AC has 11 students.
- Section AD has 23 students.
- Section AE has 24 students.
- Section AF has 7 students.
- The average number of students per section.

- Have your program print the following:

```
There are 24 students in Section AE.
There are an average of 15 students per section.
```

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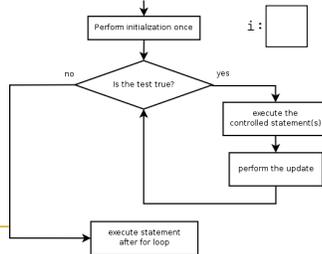
Loop walkthrough

- Code:

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 3; i++) {
    System.out.println(i + " squared is " + (i * i));
}
```

- Output:

```
1 squared is 1
2 squared is 4
3 squared is 9
```



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Loop example

- Code:

```
System.out.println("+-----+");
for (int i = 1; i <= 3; i++) {
    System.out.println("\\ \\ \\ /");
    System.out.println("/ \\ \\ /");
}
System.out.println("+-----+");
```

- Output:

```
+-----+
\\ \\ \\ /
/ \\ \\ /
/ \\ \\ /
/ \\ \\ /
+-----+
```

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Varying the for loop

- The initial and final values for the loop counter variable can be arbitrary expressions:

- Example:

```
for (int i = -3; i <= 2; i++) {
    System.out.println(i);
}
```

- Output:

```
-3
-2
-1
0
1
2
```

- Example:

```
for (int i = 1 + 3 * 4; i <= 5248 % 100; i++) {
    System.out.println(i + " squared is " + (i * i));
}
```

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Varying the for loop

- The update can be a -- (or any other operator).
 - Caution: This requires changing the test from <= to >=.

```
System.out.print("T-minus");
for (int i = 3; i >= 1; i--) {
    System.out.println(i);
}
System.out.println("Blastoff!");
```

- Output:

```
T-minus
3
2
1
Blastoff!
```

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Errors in coding

- When controlling a single statement, the {} braces are optional.

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 6; i++)
    System.out.println(i + " squared is " + (i * i));
```

- This can lead to errors if a line is not properly indented.

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 3; i++)
    System.out.println("This is printed 3 times");
    System.out.println("So is this... or is it?");
```

- Output:

```
This is printed 3 times
This is printed 3 times
This is printed 3 times
So is this... or is it?
```

- Moral: Always use curly braces and always use proper indentation.

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Errors in coding

- ERROR:** Loops that never execute.

```
for (int i = 10; i < 5; i++) {
    System.out.println("How many times do I print?");
}
```

- ERROR:** Loop tests that never fail.

- A loop that never terminates is called an *infinite loop*.

```
for (int i = 10; i >= 1; i++) {
    System.out.println("Runaway Java program!!!");
}
```

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For loop exercises

- Write a loop that produces the following output.
On day #1 of Christmas, my true love sent to me
On day #2 of Christmas, my true love sent to me
On day #3 of Christmas, my true love sent to me
On day #4 of Christmas, my true love sent to me
On day #5 of Christmas, my true love sent to me
...
On day #12 of Christmas, my true love sent to me

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Scope

- scope:** The portion of a program where a given variable exists.
 - A variable's scope is from its declaration to the end of the `{ }` braces in which it was declared.
 - Special case: If a variable is declared in the **<initialization>** part of a for loop, its scope is the for loop.

```
public static void example() {  
    int x = 3;  
    for (int i = 1; i <= 10; i++) {  
        System.out.println(x);  
    }  
    // i no longer exists here  
    // x ceases to exist here  
}
```

} i's scope
} x's scope

- Why not just have the scope of a variable be the whole program?

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Errors in coding

- ERROR:** Using a variable outside of its scope.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    int z = 0;  
    example();  
    System.out.println(x); // illegal: x is out of scope  
  
    for (int i = 1; i <= 10; i++) {  
        int y = 5;  
        System.out.println(y);  
    }  
    System.out.println(y); // illegal: y is out of scope  
}  
  
public static void example() {  
    int x = 3;  
    System.out.println(x);  
    System.out.println(z); // illegal: z is out of scope  
}
```

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Errors in coding

- ERROR:** Declaring variables with the same name with overlapping scope.

```
public static void main(String[] args) {  
    int x = 2;  
    for (int i = 1; i <= 5; i++) {  
        int y = 5;  
        System.out.println(y);  
    }  
    for (int i = 3; i <= 5; i++) {  
        int y = 2;  
        int x = 4; // illegal  
        System.out.println(y);  
    }  
}  
  
public static void anotherMethod() {  
    int i = 6;  
    int x = 2;  
    int y = 3;  
    System.out.println(i + " * " + x + " + " + y);  
}
```

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Mapping loops to numbers

- Suppose that we have the following loop:

```
for (int count = 1; count <= 5; count++) {  
    ...  
}
```
- What statement could we write in the body of the loop that would make the loop print the following output?
3 6 9 12 15

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But first... How to print on the same line

- `System.out.print` prints the given output **without** moving to the next line.

```
System.out.print("T-minus ");  
for (int i = 3; i >= 1; i--) {  
    System.out.print(i + " ");  
}  
System.out.println("Blastoff!");
```

Output:

T-minus 3 2 1 Blastoff!

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Mapping loops to numbers

- Suppose that we have the following loop:


```
for (int count = 1; count <= 5; count++) {
    ...
}
```
- What statement could we write in the body of the loop that would make the loop print the following output?
3 6 9 12 15
- Answer:


```
for (int count = 1; count <= 5; count++) {
    System.out.print(3 * count + " ");
}
```

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Mapping loops to numbers

- Now consider another loop of the same style:


```
for (int count = 1; count <= 5; count++) {
    ...
}
```
- What statement could we write in the body of the loop that would make the loop print the following output?
4 7 10 13 16
- Answer:


```
for (int count = 1; count <= 5; count++) {
    System.out.print(3 * count + 1 + " ");
}
```

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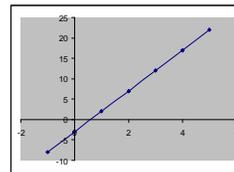
Loop number tables

- What statement could we write in the body of the loop that would make the loop print the following output?
2 7 12 17 22
- To find the pattern, it can help to make a table.
 - Each time `count` goes up by 1, the number should go up by 5.
 - But `count * 5` is too big by 3, so we must subtract 3.

count	number to print	count * 5	count * 5 - 3
1	2	5	2
2	7	10	7
3	12	15	12
4	17	20	17
5	22	25	22

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Another perspective: Slope-intercept



count (x)	number to print (y)
1	2
2	7
3	12
4	17
5	22

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Another perspective: Slope-intercept

- Caution:** This is algebra, not assignment!
- Recall: slope-intercept form ($y = mx + b$)
- Slope is defined as "rise over run" (i.e. rise / run). Since the "run" is always 1 (we increment along x by 1), we just need to look at the "rise". The rise is the difference between the y values. Thus, the slope (m) is the difference between y values; in this case, it is +5.
- To compute the y -intercept (b), plug in the value of y at $x = 1$ and solve for b . In this case, $y = 2$.

$$y = m * x + b$$

$$2 = 5 * 1 + b$$
 Then $b = -3$
- So the equation is

$$y = m * x + b$$

$$y = 5 * x - 3$$

$$y = 5 * \text{count} - 3$$

count (x)	number to print (y)
1	2
2	7
3	12
4	17
5	22

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Another perspective: Slope-intercept

- Algebraically, if we always take the value of y at $x = 1$, then we can solve for b as follows:

$$y = m * x + b$$

$$y_1 = m * 1 + b$$

$$y_1 = m + b$$

$$b = y_1 - m$$
- In other words, to get the y -intercept, just subtract the slope from the first y value ($b = 2 - 5 = -3$)
 - This gets us the equation

$$y = m * x + b$$

$$y = 5 * x - 3$$

$$y = 5 * \text{count} - 3$$
 (which is exactly the equation from the previous slides)

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Loop table exercise

- What statement could we write in the body of the loop that would make the loop print the following output?
17 13 9 5 1

- Let's create the loop table together.
 - Each time count goes up 1, the number should ...
 - But this multiple is off by a margin of ...

count	number to print	count * -4	count * -4 + 21
1	17	-4	17
2	13	-8	13
3	9	-12	9
4	5	-16	5
5	1	-20	1

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Nested for loops

- nested loop:** Loops placed inside one another.
 - Caution:* Make sure the inner loop's counter variable has a different name!

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 3; i++) {
    System.out.println("i = " + i);
    for (int j = 1; j <= 2; j++) {
        System.out.println("    j = " + j);
    }
}
```

Output:

```
i = 1
  j = 1
  j = 2
i = 2
  j = 1
  j = 2
i = 3
  j = 1
  j = 2
```

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Nested loops example

- Code:

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 5; i++) {
    for (int j = 1; j <= 10; j++) {
        System.out.print((i * j) + " ");
    }
    System.out.println(); // to end the line
}
```

Output:

```
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20
3 6 9 12 15 18 21 24 27 30
4 8 12 16 20 24 28 32 36 40
5 10 15 20 25 30 35 40 45 50
```

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Nested loops example

- Code:

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 6; i++) {
    for (int j = 1; j <= 10; j++) {
        System.out.print("*****");
    }
    System.out.println();
}
```

Output:

```
*****
*****
*****
*****
*****
*****
```

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Nested loops example

- Code:

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 6; i++) {
    for (int j = 1; j <= i; j++) {
        System.out.print("*****");
    }
    System.out.println();
}
```

Output:

```
*
**
***
****
*****
*****
```

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Nested loops example

- Code:

```
for (int i = 1; i <= 6; i++) {
    for (int j = 1; j <= i; j++) {
        System.out.print(i);
    }
    System.out.println();
}
```

Output:

```
1
22
333
4444
55555
666666
```

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Nested loops example

```

Code:
for (int i = 1; i <= 5; i++) {
    for (int j = 1; j <= (5 - i); j++) {
        System.out.print(" ");
    }
    for (int k = 1; k <= i; k++) {
        System.out.print(i);
    }
    System.out.println();
}

```

Output:

```

1
22
333
4444
55555

```

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Nested loops

- What nested `for` loops produce the following output?

inner loop (repeated characters on each line)

```

...1
...2
..3
.4
5

```

outer loop (loops 5 times because there are 5 lines)

- Key idea:
 - outer "vertical" loop for each of the lines
 - inner "horizontal" loop(s) for the patterns within each line

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Nested loops

- First, write the outer loop from 1 to the number of lines desired.

```

for (int line = 1; line <= 5; line++) {
    ...
}

```

- Notice that each line has the following pattern:
 - some number of dots (0 dots on the last line)
 - a number

```

...1
..2
..3
.4
5

```

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Nested loops

- Make a table:

line	# of dots	line * -1 + 5	value displayed
1	4	4	1
2	3	3	2
3	2	2	3
4	1	1	4
5	0	0	5

- Answer:

```

for (int line = 1; line <= 5; line++) {
    for (int j = 1; j <= (line * -1 + 5); j++) {
        System.out.print(".");
    }
    System.out.println(line);
}

```

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Nested Loops

- Modify the previous code to produce this output:

```

...1
...2
..3..
.4...
5....

```

line	# of dots	value displayed	# of dots
1	4	1	0
2	3	2	1
3	2	3	2
4	1	4	3
5	0	5	4

- Answer:

```

for (int line = 1; line <= 5; line++) {
    for (int j = 1; j <= (line * -1 + 5); j++) {
        System.out.print(".");
    }
    System.out.print(line);
    for (int j = 1; j <= (line - 1); j++) {
        System.out.print(".");
    }
    System.out.println();
}

```

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Errors in coding

- ERROR:** Using the wrong loop counter variable.

```

What is the output of the following piece of code?
for (int i = 1; i <= 10; i++) {
    for (int j = 1; i <= 5; j++) {
        System.out.print(j);
    }
    System.out.println();
}

```

```

What is the output of the following piece of code?
for (int i = 1; i <= 10; i++) {
    for (int j = 1; j <= 5; i++) {
        System.out.print(j);
    }
    System.out.println();
}

```

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Managing complexity

Readings: 2.4 – 2.5

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Drawing complex figures

- Write a program that produces the following figure as its output:

```
#####
  <><>
 <>...<>
<>.....<>
<>.....<>
<>.....<>
  <>...<>
  <><>
#####
```

Where do we even start??

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Drawing complex figures: Strategy

- Write down some steps on paper before coding:
 - A *pseudo-code* description of the algorithm (in English)
 - A table of each line's contents, to help see the pattern in the input

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Pseudo-code

- pseudo-code:** A written English description of an algorithm
- Example: Suppose we are trying to draw a box of stars which is 12 characters wide and 7 tall.

```
print 12 stars.
for each of 5 lines,
  print a star.
  print 10 spaces.
  print a star.
print 12 stars.
```

```
*****
*       *
*       *
*       *
*       *
*       *
*****
```

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Drawing complex figures: Pseudo-code

- A possible pseudo-code for our complex figure task:
 - Draw top line with # , 16 =, then #
 - Draw the top half with the following on each line:

```
some spaces (possibly 0)      #####
<>                             <><>
some dots (possibly 0)       <>...<>
<>                             <>.....<>
more spaces (possibly 0)     <>.....<>
|                               <>.....<>
|                               <>...<>
|                               <><>
4. Draw bottom line with # , 16 =, then #
#####
```

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Drawing complex figures: Tables

- A table of the lines in the "top half" of the figure:

line	spaces	$\text{line}^2 - 2 + 8$	dots	$\text{line} * 4 - 4$
1	6	6	0	0
2	4	4	4	4
3	2	2	8	8
4	0	0	12	12

```
#####
  <><>
 <>...<>
<>.....<>
<>.....<>
  <>...<>
  <><>
#####
```

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Drawing complex figures: Questions

- How many loops do we need on each line of the top half of the output?
- Which loops are nested inside which other loops?
- How should we use static methods to represent the structure and redundancy of the output?

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Partial solution

```
// Prints the expanding pattern of <> for the top half of the figure.
public static void drawTopHalf() {
    for (int line = 1; line <= 4; line++) {
        System.out.print("*");

        for (int space = 1; space <= (line * 2 + 8); space++) {
            System.out.print(" ");
        }

        System.out.print("<>");

        for (int dot = 1; dot <= (line * 4 - 4); dot++) {
            System.out.print(".");
        }

        System.out.print("<>");

        for (int space = 1; space <= (line * 2 + 8); space++) {
            System.out.print(" ");
        }

        System.out.println("");
    }
}
```

- Question: Is there a pattern to the numbers?

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Magic numbers

- Sometimes we have values (called *magic numbers*) that are used throughout the program.
- A normal variable cannot be used to fix the magic number problem. Why not?

```
public static void main(String[] args) {
    int max = 3;
    printTop();
    printBottom();
}

public static void printTop() {
    for (int i = 1; i <= max; i++) {
        for (int j = 1; j <= i; j++) {
            System.out.print(j);
        }
        System.out.println();
    }
}

public static void printBottom() {
    for (int i = max; i >= 1; i--) {
        for (int j = i; j >= 1; j--) {
            System.out.print(max);
        }
        System.out.println();
    }
}
```

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Solution: Class constants

- **class constant:** A variable that can be seen throughout the program.
- The value of a constant can only be set when it is declared.
- It cannot be changed while the program is running, hence the name: *constant*.

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Class constant: Syntax

- Syntax:
`public static final <type> <name> = <value>;`
- Class constants have to be declared outside the methods.
- Convention: Constant identifiers are written in uppercase with words separated by underscores.
- Examples:
`public static final int DAYS_IN_WEEK = 7;`
`public static final double INTEREST_RATE = 3.5;`
`public static final int SSN = 658234569;`

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Class constant example

- Class constants eliminates redundancy.

```
public static final int MAX_VALUE = 3;

public static void main(String[] args) {
    printTop();
    printBottom();
}

public static void printTop() {
    for (int i = 1; i <= MAX_VALUE; i++) {
        for (int j = 1; j <= i; j++) {
            System.out.print(j);
        }
        System.out.println();
    }
}

public static void printBottom() {
    for (int i = MAX_VALUE; i >= 1; i--) {
        for (int j = i; j >= 1; j--) {
            System.out.print(MAX_VALUE);
        }
        System.out.println();
    }
}
```

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Class constant trickiness

- Adding a constant often changes the amount that is added to a loop expression, but the multiplier (slope) is usually unchanged.

```
public static final int SIZE = 4;

for (int space = 1; space <= (line * -2 + (2 * SIZE)); space++) {
    System.out.print(" ");
}
```

- *Caution:* A constant does **NOT** always replace every occurrence of the original value.

```
for (int dot = 1; dot <= (line * 4 - 4); dot++) {
    System.out.print(".");
}
```

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Complex figure exercise

- Write a program that produces the following figure as its output.
 - Use nested `for` loops and static methods where appropriate.

```
====+====
#       #
#       #
#       #
====+====
#       #
#       #
#       #
====+====
```

- Add a constant so that the figure can be resized.

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Assignment 2: Space Needle



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